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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Panama/Letter from SSCI/Instructions from NSC Staff

1. Late in the afternoon of 11 October, I received a call from Bret Coulson of the Legislative Affairs Office of the National Security Council staff. Coulson said that various intelligence agencies were about to receive letters from the Senate Intelligence Committee requesting certain further information about the recent events in Panama.

2. Coulson said that it had been decided that individual agencies were to ignore these letters, and that the President would determine the appropriate Administration response to the Committee's requests.

3. I asked Coulson whether, if questioned by the Committee about our response to the letter, we could indicate that an answer would be coming from the White House. He indicated that this would be fine.



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